# **BIG FIGHT**

U. S. Supreme ourt.

Michigan, Talks to Lo-

cal Members.

Banquet at Jefferson Hotel

Big Feature.

That the Knights of the Maccabees

ders for the bonds to be sold for the

proposed beautifying of the new Eden

preme Commander D. P. Markey, of

Mr. Markey said that his organiza-

them to be safe and sound. He was

very much impressed with the condi-

tions locally and spoke at length on

John R. Sanders acted as chairman

of the meeting and Hon. N. J. Gantt

made the welcome address on behalf

of the Chamber of Commerce and the

commercial interests of the city. J.

T. Lyle, State Commander of the

told of the growth of the organiza-

tion and the many benefits it offers.

He said that the local tent now has

Tells of Order.

He has a fine address, and in well

chosen words told of the many ad-

"There are 105 tents in Arkansas

with a total membership of 3,600," he

said. "The total membership for the

sents 5,000 subordinate tents. Near-

ed in Arkansas municipal, county,

among the members. He was very

rived in the city yesterday morning

Have Banquet.

the members present wer S. M.

Wm. Burke, G. E. Peterson, M. T.

school and drainage bonds."

the order.

Mr. Markey was the last speaker

of the World will be among the bid-

at No Right Exists to Sell Many Attend Get-Together Meeting-I Inder Tennessee Law.

froon, were expected to be Park, was the statement made by Su-

walk constitutional point meeting of the order last night at K. raised by counsel for the of P. hall. decision is reached on the va- tion was now investing heavily in of the nuisance act, the Su- Arkansas bonds and that he found Court of the United States

keepers who were forced out the many improvements Pine Bluff s by injunctions granted by is making toward coming to the ncery Court on information front. He expressed himself as glad by the nti-saloon and Law to know that Pine Bluff was taking ie of Shelby coun- on the northern spirit by building a courtroom. Extra packing plant and establishing stock

but before court yards. LOAD Rights.

the liquor dealand properties Maccabees, was next introduced, and under the nuisensation, which is un- a total membership of 170 and that that the things and they were endeavoring to take in not nuisances under here was no valid pasll through the Legislathe granting or withinjunction is a matter udicial determination, vantages in fraternal insurance Legislature is without

of the test case is eenly by former re-United States is 300,000, which reprewholesalers and have been thrown ly \$13,000,000 in the funds of the ornt. Indications are der are invested in municipal bonds and of this amount \$900,000 is investoth chancellors intivill be sometime becase can be exam-

#### E NEW BANK.

made to the State benefits to the families of the deceasment for a charter for ed members and that the order ad- of free tolls through the canal. Lead Hill, in Boc mitted 35,000 new members," said Maxwell of the de- Mr. Markey. ed. This is to be the Department hereafter,



Porter, Sam Levi, I. T. Horton, Bob Johnson, E. J. Voss, H. M. Shannon, NTS & PLANTERS BANK I. N. Moore, M. L. Elkins, C. E. Gordmen bound in the same M. Blanton, E. Eilbott, J. A. Wright, Men whose company you A. M. Reat, W. W. Matthews, S. H. to be in. They represent Holland, B. L. Owen, R. C. Ballard. progressive business element J. F. Mammesehmidt, J. F. West, C. nunity. Put yourself in H. Burks, A. V. Dunn, Fred L.-Goode, amount doesn't matter. what you have.

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Carnival; 50 cents all over the bouse; er twelve, 25 cen

#### LOCAL MACCABEES TOLLS FIGHT MAY HEAR COMMANDER . BEGIN THURSDAY

Liquor Men Pave D. P. Markey, of Detroit, Progress on Harbors Bill, However, Is Very Slow.

#### PAFISCATION PRAISES PINE BLUFF UNDERWOOD ANXIOUS

Only Two Weeks On Before Alabamian Will Stand in Primaries in Race for U. S. Senatorship.

Washington, March 24.-The Panama free tolls fight may be opened in the House Thursday, although progress on the rivers and harbors bill

As the tolls matter canno Detroit, Mich., at the get-together until this bill is passed it may Saturday before the guns are un-

> ing impatiently for the contest to be settled. His fight for election to the U. S. Senate is at its height in Ala gressman Clayton's return to Con- State, District and City gress will also be determined at the same time. Both Underwood and Clayton are held here for the tolls vote. Most members of the House lost interest today in the rivers and harbors bill because of the impendtais offers the first opportunity for making a breach in Democratic ranks which has stood solidly behind Indications Are That Smoothness and Speaker Clark and Underwood during the past three years.

informal state delegation meetings were held today to discuss the final attitude of the different members. Fully one-third of the Congressmen are in their districts campaigning for seeks to declare 100 new members during the present renomination. Their associates here

#### Sees Bad Times.

There may be significance in the emark made today by Representative Adamson, of Georgia, who is leading the President's fight for repear of free tolls

"All the news I know is bad." Mr. Adamson did not, however, apply this to the canal tolls fight.

Every state delegation is split on and securities in the United States, the question. No attempt is to b made to bind a state by the unit rule. Representative Johnson, of Washington, presented a resolution today He said that only public utility calling upon Secretary Redfield for bonds and securities are bought by all the facts as to the coastwise trade of Atlantic and Pacific ports and "The Knights of the Maccabees of contributory territory. He wants the March 24.—An appli- the World last year paid \$4,000,000 information for use in showing the cost to this country in abandonment

Washington, March 24.-Senator O'Gorman read to the Senate today en sent to Lead Hill This was Mr. Markey's first visiti to telegrams and resolutions from comtigation of the re- Pine Bluff and he came here for the mercial and civic bodies in various promoters, before the purpose of arousing enthusiasm parts of the United States protesting against the repeal of the free tolls much impressed with the progress clause of the Panama canal act. The receautions may made by the local camp and com- data was ordered published in the the stability of mented at times on the fine financial Congressional record. Among the

thations chartered standing of the organization. He ar- communications was the following: "From the New Orleans Associa from Little Rock where he conferred tion of Commerce.—The New Orleans the first degree on 35 candidates and Association of Commerce, the largest administered the third degree to 60. commercial organization in the south, He will leave today for St . Louis is strongly opposed to the repeal of where he will attend a similar meet- the canal exemption for American vessels. We believe we voice the sentiment of thinking people of the After the meeting had adjourned, Gulf coast ports in this matter. New the members and visitors left the K. Orleans is deeply concerned in the of P. hall Lad went to the Hotel Jef- rehabilitation of the American marine. ferson, where a banquet was tender- We feel that this unnecessary repeal, ed them. Aside from the speakers if put into effect would deal a staggering blow to American aspirations Doolty, T. C. Langdon, Frank Swabb, for a return to maritime importance. (Signed) "M. B. TREZEVANT,

"General Manager." -Last night of Business Men's our first deposit you will on, I. Sam Knox, J. T. Williams, W. Carnival; 50 cents all over the house; children under twelve, 25 cents.

### HAYS GOES TO VOTE.

Little Rock, March 24.-Governor by starting your account Chas. E. Leverenz, C. A. Illing, W. B. Hays and his secretaries, Harry W. Stewart and O. C. Burnsides, have gone to Camden to vote in the primary election tomorrow. There will -Last night of Business Men's be no official business transacted in the governor's office today offin

## **Election News**

The Graphic has made arrangements whereby we will receive complete election returns from all over Arkansas and each voting precinct in Jefferson and Lincoln counties.

These reports will be either flashed or read aloud. In telephoning for election news Phone 86. Under no condition Phone 14, as this phone will be busy getting news over Long Distance.

## Representative Underwood is wait. ALL PRIMED AND

Races Are to Be Decided.

#### ing tolls fight. To the Republicans QUIET IS PROMISED

Lack of Excitement Will Prevail Throughout This Section.

Considering the fact that there is a rather big primary on for today, in which state, district and city officials are receiving telegrams telling how are to be selected, there was comtheir constituents feel on the tolls paratively little interest being shown. This, it appears, has been brought about by the fact that in some of the races there is no opposition, and a feeling possibly on the part of the Liquor Men Hae Made Prima Facie voters that all they can do is to go to the polls today and register their

> The greater portion of interest naturally lies in the race, for the United States senatorship between the present incumbent, James P. Clarke, and State Supreme Judge W. F. Kirby. The fight between them over the state has waxed rather warm and each side has had a force of workers in the field to influence the vote of the state.

> For Pine Bluff the election, outside of the senatorial contest, centers more largely in the races for circuit judge of the Eleventh judicial district, for prosecuting attorney, city attorney, with hardly so much interest in the races for aldermen as the oppositon does not extend to the entire

> In the main it will be possible in the issue of The Graphic of Thursday morning to give the results of the election locally and through the state. not be complete, but there will be the greater portion of them in during the

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early morning hours to insure the re sult, unless some of the races develop into a neck and neck affair.

The refusal of those in charge to allow the list of those who are placed on the pallot as candidates for the county convention, to be given out, has occasioned considerable comment. This has not been the cas tom heretofore, and much surprise that this method was to be pursued.

## RESUME LIQUOR **HEARING THURSDAY**

Is Due to Come Up at That Time Before Judge Philpot.

#### BOTH SIDES READY

Case and Burden Will Come From Remonstrants.

Unless there is some unforeseen difficulty to arise in the maintime, the liquor petition hearing will be taken up before County Judge C. M. Philpot tomorrow morning. It is believed that the hearing will

be taken up despite the act that there will more than likely be a decision rendered by the Supreme Court within the next few days on the constitutionality of the Going act. If the Supreme Court holds that the Going act is unconstitutional it will serve to place the liquor license matter back again to the former basis of where the county judge passed upon the matter. In on the other hand the law is held to be constitutional. it will require that the issuance of licenses will be governed by the ma-The returns from some points will jority of white adult inhabitants in a city or town.

> concerned is practically the same as and occupied trategic points in the at the commencement of the fight vicinity. some months ago, with the exception that the liquor petitioners have present at the funeral were Emile now made out what is a prima facie Loubet, former president of the recase as to their side of the contention public; Aristide Briand and Louis and the orly evidence which will be presented will be on behalf of the remonstrants.

> which was secured, the liquor inter-Bernhardt and hundreds of others. ests think that they have a majority of the white adult inhabitants and on the other hand the prohibitionists claim that they will be able to uphold was attacked by the crowd and struck their contention as to there not being with canes and when the disturbance majority of names.

Mrs. Sam Merrill and little daugher arrived in the city yesterday to ing the disorder. join her husband, who is a member of Seibert's orchestra at the Orpheo NAMED FOR AN

E. L. Kilmer, a prominent young business man of Jacksonville, Texas, is in the city for a short visit with today named J. Munroe Williams, of friends and relatives.

-Last) night of Business Men's Carnival; 50 cents all over the house children under twelve 25 cents.

## **COAL MINERS** THREATEN STRIKE

Over 375,000 to March Out Aggressive Leader Succeeds April 1 in the Middle West.

#### CONFERENCE FAILS

Operators and Workmen Fail Agree on Four State Contract and Turn Trip Three.

Chicago, March 24—Beginning April . 375,000 coal miners in practically all the bituminous coal states will cease work.

and miners of the central competetive states-western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, which have been in progress here, were broken off today. The conference adjourned on motion of President John T. White

Failure to make an agreement be tween the Ohio operators and miners contract in three states, leaving Ohio, brought about the disruption of the interstate trade agreement.

If a settlement could have been eached by the Ohio operators and miners on a price for mined run coal, clause three, the other obstacle to a settlement might have been adjusted. The clause prohibited miners from asking for any danger in working conditions that would add to the cost clause eliminated and the operators had said they would not make a fight to retain it. The miners had withdrawn their demand for increased

bituminous states will be involved in the suspension."

to permit the resumption of work the compact body of reces who were where the operators and miners in led into a trap. There was a vast one state reach an agreement.

#### CALMETTE FUNERAL **EXCITES FRENCHMEN**

Immense Crowds Watch Cortege and Riot Follows Services.

Paris, March 24.—The funeral of Gaston Calmette, victim of Mme. Caillaux, took place here in the church of St. François De Sales, in the northwestern district of Paris, and within a block of the residence of his slayer-

Many hours before the procession moved, large crowds filled the streets The police and military authorities were out in force all along the route. The underground railway stations nearby were occupied by large detachments, who had instructions to close

them if the crowds became too great to handle. Squads of mounted repub-The fight so far as Pine Bluff is lican guards also were under arms

Among the notable personages Barthou, two former premiers; Prince Murat, Baron Robert DeRothschild, Fernand Labori, the attorney who is With the aid of the second petition to defend Madame Caillaux; Sarah

While they were returning from the cemetery, a royalist enthusiast shouted: "Cheers for Caillaux." He ended he was found to have been wounded by a revolver shot. The police had great difficulty in suppres-

## INCOME TAX OFFICIAL.

Washington, March 24.-Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborne Memphis, for appointment as a field deputy under the income tax law.

of Lake Farm was

## GEN VILLA HAS **GAINED TORREON**

in Taking the Federal Stronghold.

#### MAKES QUICK WORK

Tons of Dynamite Placed About Beleaguered City Cause Belief That It Was Impregnable.

Gomez Palacio, March 23 .- "On to Mexico City" is now the cry of Villa. With a series of brilliant victories to his credit and almost the entire half of northern Mexico under his sway, he plans now to quickly attack Mazatalan, Saltill and Monterey, and, if those cities fall, make a hasty march on the capital. With the copture of Torreon added to the victories at Chihuahua, Ojiniga and Juarez, and many smaller places, the rebels see themselves an irresistable force.

The rebels began their victorious march on Torreon proper shortly before daybreak. Gen. Benavizes advanced from the east and immediately began shelling the city. Gen Villa came forward from Gomez Palacio with the main body of his troops and almost completely invested the city.

The first footing in the town was gained by Gen. Benarens' forces. They captured two wards and carried the battle into the streets of 'forrean. The federals made a desperare of mining. The miners wanted this resistance and poured a deadly fire into the rebels from door ways and housetops

#### Rebels Effective.

Heavy smoke could be seen arising from Torreon this afternoon, while About 350,000 bituminus coal the bombardment was in progress. miners will quit work March 31, said Several fires were believed to have President White." We could not been started by the rebel shells. They operators and we would not agree to startling execution. Their fire was a three state contract. The policy well directed probably by foreign committee will decide the future ac- artillerymen. Shortly before 9 tion of the miners. Practically all o'clock today a terrific explosion was heard just north of Torread. It was reported here as being a federal mine, The policy committee will be asked which was set off at the approach of network of mines surrounding the city. The mines are believed to nave done frightful execution. The fecerals had buried several hundred tons of dynamite and had thought it had

> made the city impregnable.\* The general artillery fire of the rebels was directed by Gen. Angeles, minister of war in the Constitutionalist cabinet. He persone y directed the disposal of many of the heavy guns, and continually urged the marksmen to attain greater accuracy. He did not want a single shell

> All through the day bathches of wounded Constitutionalists were carried through Gomez-Palacio, to the field hospital south of Cermejillo. Numbers of captured federals were also rushed to the rear.

General Villa in making good his boast that he would capture Torreon by March 31, continued the whirlwind activities today that he began Friday and continued Saturday and

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